

**CHAT Community Health Observation Report**

**Oct.2023**

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❖ [COVID-19 Summary](#) -

- GVSU Campus Health Center reported 13 COVID-19 diagnosis in Sep.2023.
- FHC had no COVID cases at the Family Health Center in September.
- **New Variant case found in Washtenaw County only 1 case, has many mutations but nothing to worry about now.** [Risk Assessment Summary for SARS CoV-2 Sublineage BA.2.86 | CDC](#)
- FDA Authorizes Changes to Simplify Use of Bivalent mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines, Vaccine changes can be found [here](#).
- New COVID booster shots are available now in LHD and will cover new strains of Omicron Subvariants.
- For more information about the new student vaccination reporting procedure, please visit the [vaccination policy webpage](#).
- New students are still reporting their vaccine status, it's going well in the Med proctor system, and we are working on pulling data on each vaccination rate.
- Collaborated with CHC to organize COVID clinic this fall,2023, tentative date is November 2023.

[State of Michigan](#)

- Hospitalizations (as of Sep 30, 2023) **Overall Trend:** rising and stable
- Weekly New Admission Confirmed COVID-550
- Currently COVID-19 hospitalized patients - 487
- Weekly deaths-27

1. [Kent County](#)

- COVID-19 Community Level- The CDC is not tracking this level.
- Vaccinations in Kent County, Michigan
  - Completed Primary Series – all age groups -63.9%
  - Completed Primary Series – Ages 18 to 65 -74.3%
  - Updated Booster-Ages 18 to 65 -16.8%

2. [Ottawa County](#)

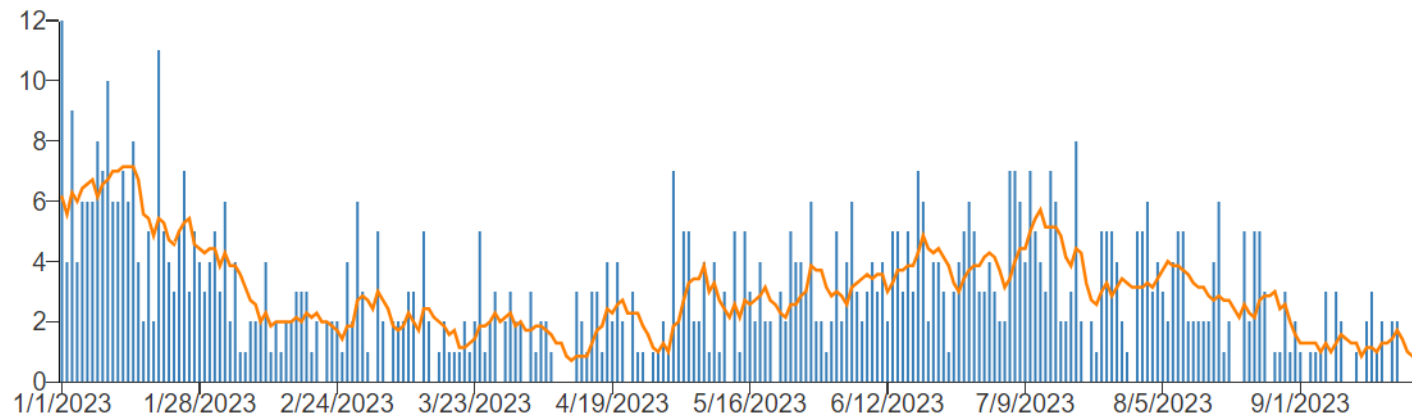
- COVID-19 Community Level – The CDC is not tracking this level.
- Vaccinations in Ottawa County, Michigan
  - Completed Primary Series – all age groups -59.7%
  - Completed Primary Series – Ages 18 to 65- 69.7%

- Updated Booster- Ages 18 to 65 - 15.6%

**MPV Summary – Mpox Updates:** now officially called “Mpox” as we’ve been calling it MPV before.

- WHO declares the end of a global health emergency for Mpox on May 11, but there is no formal statement yet published by WHO.
- [399 Cases in Michigan last updated 09/28/23.](#)
- Overall Trends are down across the US. This is no longer an area of focus for the CHAT team, but we will continue to monitor it.
- No cases reported on the GVSU campus.
- [Please be sure to use your outlets to provide education.](#)
- There was no Mpox vaccine in September. And the planned events for October and November are cancelled as the health Dept does not have staff to do the clinic.

**Action:** Collaborated with OCHD to organize STI testing this fall, 2023, dates are October 11 and November 8, 2023.

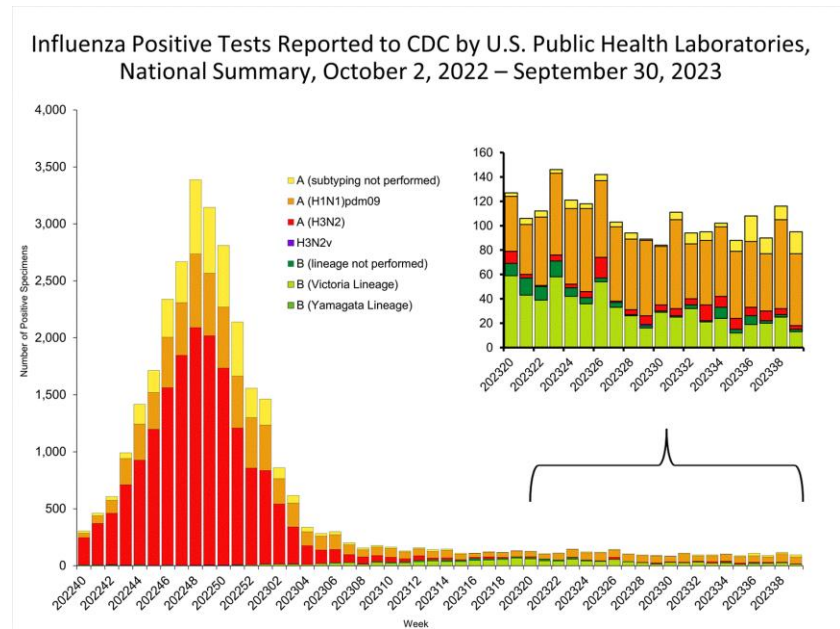
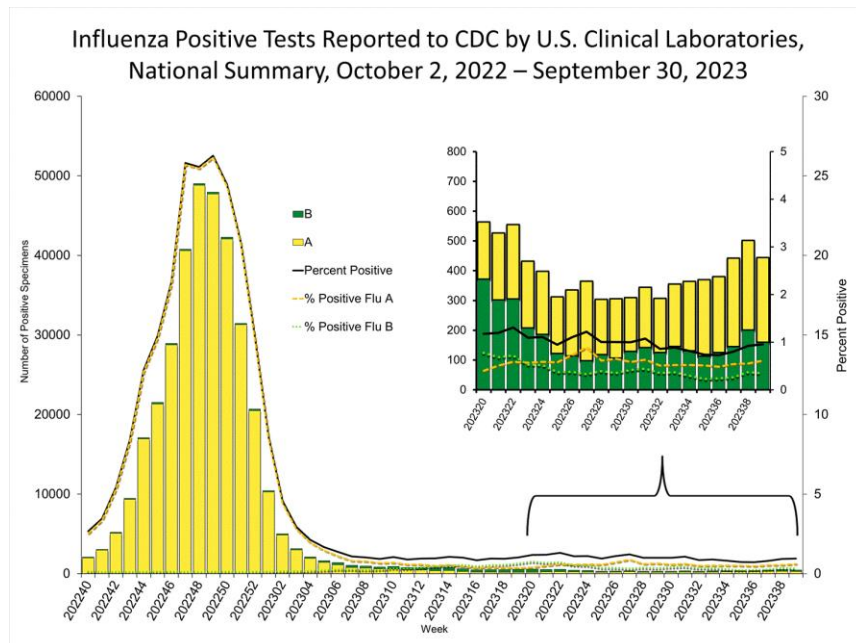


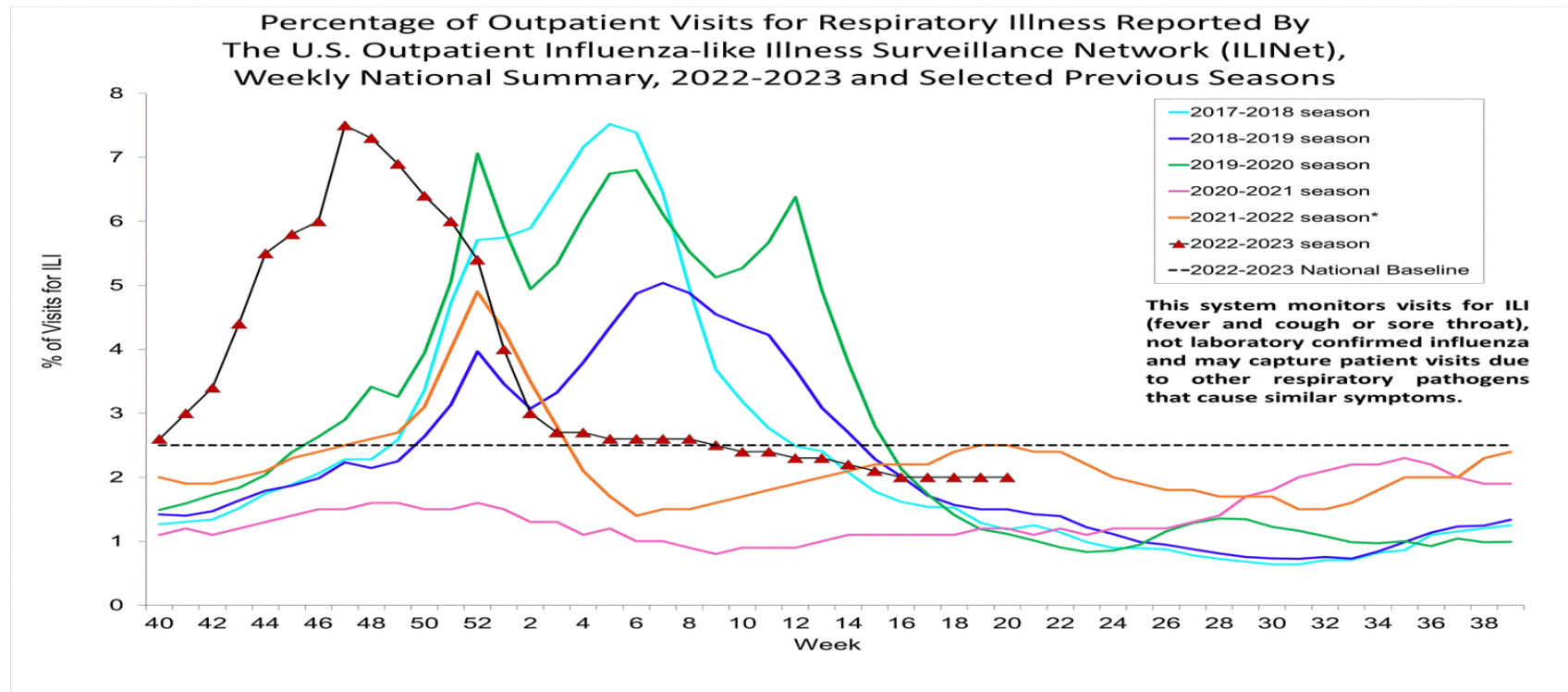
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❖ **Influenza Summary** –

- Seasonal influenza activity is low nationally- **Minimal.**
- MDHHS reported 5 pediatric flu death in Michigan, and a total of 172 flu related deaths in the USA has been reported.
- Numbers are trending up for flu and respiratory reported illness, based on trend analysis we are headed for a rise in the next few weeks.
- Campus Health center reported 38 for the year.
- Family Health center had no Flu cases reported but since the new flu shot was received, they have given 437 vaccines, 2 out of them were free flu shot vouchers.
- Arranged and presented Flu Vaccine awareness and promotion event at GVSU’s LGBT center on Oct.4,2023 and distributed free Flu vouchers.

**Action:** Collaboration with LHD’S, Walgreens pharmacy and FHC to organize Flu clinic in this fall October,2023 twice a week at Allendale campus. Here is the [Flu vaccine event Calendar](#)





❖ **Chicken Pox**

- **No** cases on Campus in July.
- **3** cases reported in January.

❖ **GVSU Community Health Population Report**

- Trinity and FHC to provide percentages based on population being seen in the clinic, information coming soon. Proposal for regular monitoring and vaccine requirements being submitted NLT 1/26/23.
- Campus Health Center (Trinity) Reported as of FEB2023
  - Hypertension Concerns, anxiety concerns, acute injury concerns, and cardiology concerns.
  - Only 8 PAPs performed with 64% of visits being female, it could be assumed that this number should be higher.
- CHAT agreed to supply At-home COVID test no longer from Spring 2023.

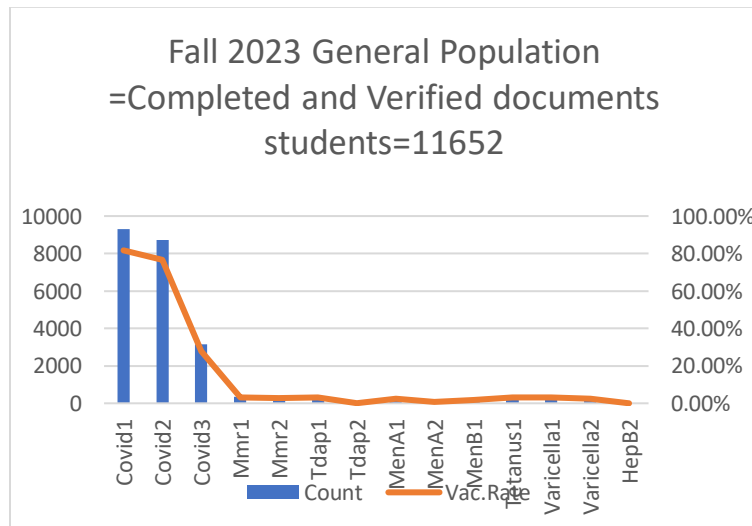
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- We will advertise a government link for ordering at-home tests weekly and will see if we can also get it out to HR and Faculty and staff.
- We’ve reached out to GVSU Library to see if they would be interested in joining a MDHHS project related to at-home tests.

1. **Immunization Surveillance :**

2. **Vaccination status on Campus-**

- We anticipate a spike in survey submissions over the next few weeks.
- The “count” is the total number of vaccines reported, this is your numerator.
- Your denominator is 11,652 (Total submissions).
- Some students might have submitted without being fully enrolled, some might have submitted for a different semester, and other undergraduates and graduate students might have submitted too.
- Although COVID is still the most immediate threat, GVSU is still much safer than our local community.
  - **Grand Valley State University**
    - Completed Primary Series – **77%**
    - Booster – **28%**



Vaccines	Count	Vac.Rate
Covid1	9544	81.60%
Covid2	8955	76.50%
Covid3	3240	27.71%
Mmr1	361	3.17%
Mmr2	322	2.83%
Tdap1	360	3.16%
Tdap2	18	0.15%
MenA1	296	2.60%
MenA2	104	0.91%
MenB1	208	1.82%
Tetanus1	346	3.04%
Varicella1	341	2.99%
Varicella2	293	2.57%
HepB2	0	0.00%

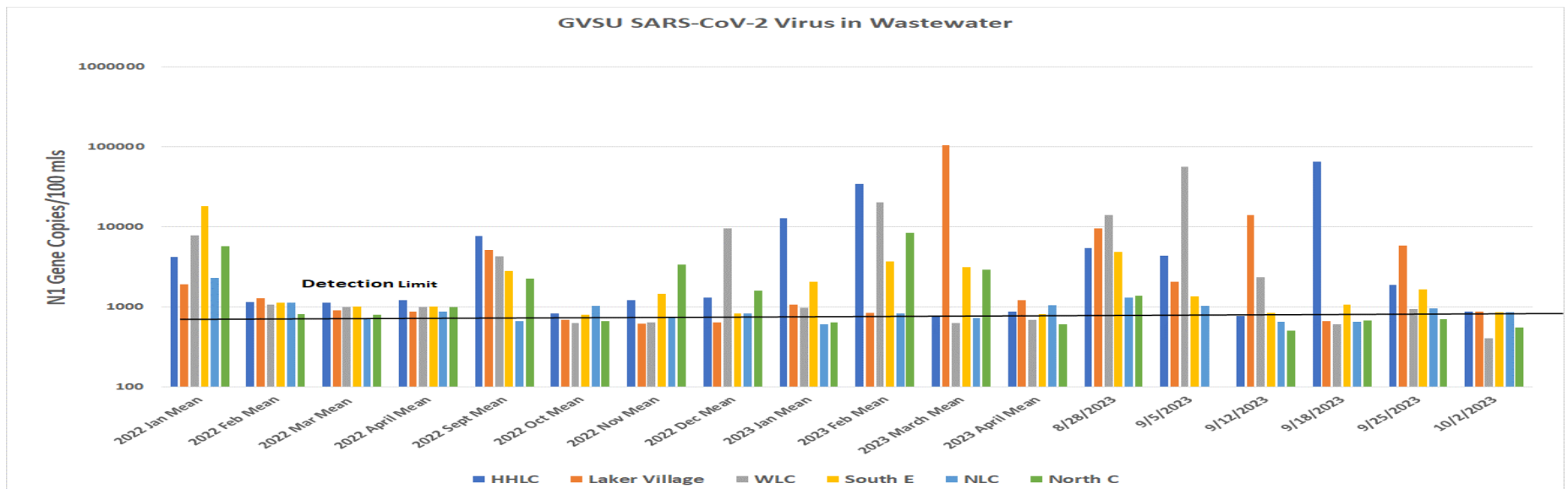
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3. Campus Health Center Reported Doses (As of Apr 2023), the plan is to increase these numbers year over year.

- Covid 19 15
- Hep A Ped 1
- Hep B Adult 15
- Hep B Ped 5
- HPV 5
- Influenza 64
- Menveo 2
- Bexsero 7
- Tdap 23
- Varicella 1

4. Wastewater Surveillance- for SARS COV-2 – GVSU Campus

- Current Waster water response **Level 0**
- Attached is the report for the 10/2/23 wastewater samples. Virus levels were not detected at all locations.



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HHLC Near Holton Hooker Learning Living Center Picks up 7 buildings –HHLC, Maple, Oak, Pine, Robinson, Copeland and

Laker Village – Lake Village Housing Units

WLC - Picks up 6 buildings – Hoobler, Johnson, Ott, Weed, Frey, North C Living Centers

Centers

South C - Picks up 11 buildings – South C, South D, South E, GVA Apartments (6 Buildings), Murray and VanSteeland Living

NLC- Picks up 4 buildings – Niemeyer East, Niemeyer West, Niemeyer Honors College, Calder Residence

North C - Picks up 8 buildings – Seidman, Swanson, Stafford, Kirkpatrick, Hills, Pickard, Pew and DeVo

**5. STI testing updates: Wellness Information Team (WIT)**

- a. There were 40 tests on campus and 5 went to Hudsonville OCDPH office to test because they ran out on campus. 5 of the 40 tested positive and 1 of the 5 tested positive.
- b. All were treated and some took medication for sex partners.
- c. Campus Health Center Does it too.
- d. STI testing is through the end of the school year: every 2nd Wednesday of the month Sept-April from 3:30-7:30pm at HHLC107A.
- e. Collaborated with OCHD to organize STI testing in this fall, 2023, dates are October 11 and November 8, 2023

**6. GVSU Social Determinants of Health**

- a. Student Health insurance proposals are being developed due to concerns related to underinsured populations and international students.
- b. [Health Net West Michigan](#) provided Director of Student Health Services intake forms as a resource for uninsured students from Kent County. These intake forms will provide resources for transportation, food, housing, healthcare, and other basic needs. Health Net West Michigan is currently meeting to determine how it can expand its resources beyond only our Kent Students, there will be



additional details to come. Edward looks to collaborate with the Care Team, LGBTQ+ resource center, and Multicultural Affairs in establishing a formal relationship with Health Net.

- c. Campus Health Center Reported: 20% of the students going to the health center use government payers (Medicaid or Medicare)
- d. Health and Wellness Communication Strategy
  - a. Will ask other departments to adopt health and wellness into their communication strategy. Will provide a framework to support.
- e. Considering an in-house survey, might need help with gaining support from students and faculty.
- f. Working on Tobacco Free Campus-Truth Initiative grant proposal, if approved will start working on project in Feb,2024
- g. Working on GVSU's CAS assessment review process will be done by November end.
- h. [ABOUT US | Skin Smart Campus](#)
- i. At-home test Kits
  - a. [Library Partnership for At-Home Test \(michigan.gov\)](#)
- j. ACHA COVID Update - Housing Isolation**
  - a. Isolate in place.
  - b. 2-4% of the General population is immunocompromised, most sources say 3%.
    - i. [Immunocompromised | COVID-19 Treatment Guidelines \(nih.gov\)](#)
  - c. We should have at least 3% of our house spaces saved for Immunocompromised.
    - i. Would we give this a recommendation for housing?
    - ii. How can or do we collaborate with the Disability resources center?
    - iii. Ability to bring food for those isolated in place.

**Action:** The student Health Wellbeing Strategic Plan is Underway, the group identified; 5 CO projects that are in the process.